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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 350

DATE PREPARED: Mar 1, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Mar 1, 2001

SUBJECT: Special Group Recognition License Plate Program.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill authorizes the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) to adopt rules to establish requirements for participation in the special group recognition license plate program. It specifies that if the Bureau determines that a special group meets the requirements for participation, the Bureau shall issue the special group a special group recognition license plate. The bill requires a special group approved for participation in the program after December 31, 2001, to submit a bond. It requires payment of the bond if less than 500 of the special group's license plates are sold in the first year that they are available. The bill provides that the representatives of a special group participating in the special group recognition license plate program are solely responsible for the marketing of the special group's special group recognition license plate.

Effective Date: (Amended) January 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill removes the three provisions regarding the creation and issuance of a special group recognition license plate. In addition, the bill provides for rule-making authority for the BMV. Furthermore, it codifies the current policy of the BMV regarding the issuance of special recognition license plates. It also requires the submission of a bond by groups requesting special group recognition license plates. The impact of the bill likely will reduce the BMV costs associated with the issuance of special group recognition license plates. It also provides for more control by the BMV of issuing special recognition license plates. The fund affected is the Motor Vehicle Highway Account which supports the BMV.

Explanation of State Revenues: (Revised) The bond provision ensures that the BMV will not lose money on the issuance of a special recognition license plate which does not meet the 500 minimum sales requirement. The funds affected are the Motor Vehicle Highway Account, the State License Branch Fund, and the Crossroads 2000 Program for highway bonding. Each of the three funds receives a portion of the \$12 administrative fee which accompanies the sale of all special recognition license plates.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: